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## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND of 3% per Share for  
the six months ending 30th June  
1909, declared at TO-DAY'S ORDINARY  
HALF-YEARLY MEETING, will be pay-  
able at the premises of the Hongkong and  
Shanghai Banking Corporation, on and after  
TUESDAY, the 24th August, and Share-  
holders are requested to apply for Dividend  
Warrants at the Company's Office, Queen's  
Buildings.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
GEO. A. CALDWELL,  
Acting Secretary.  
Hongkong, August 23, 1909. 1054

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING  
CORPORATION.

THE DIVIDEND declared for the  
Half-Year ending 30th June, 1909, at  
the rate of TWO POUNDS STERLING  
per Share of £125 is payable on and after  
MONDAY, the 23rd August, current, at  
the Office of the Corporation, where  
Shareholders are requested to apply for  
Warrants.

By Order of the Court of Directors,  
J. R. M. SMITH,  
Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, August 21, 1909. 1059

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY,  
LIMITED.  
NOTICE.

IN accordance with the Provisions of  
No. 104 of the Articles of Association  
the General Managers have this day declared  
an INTERIM DIVIDEND for the  
half-year ended 30th June, 1909, of TWO  
DOLLARS PER SHARE.  
DIVIDEND WARRANTS may be ob-  
tained on application at the Office of the  
Company on and after WEDNESDAY,  
20th instant.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-  
pany will be CLOSED from the 10th inst.  
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Hongkong, August 13, 1909. 1023

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## TOKYO LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent).

Tokyo, August 13th.  
The Department of Finance is hard at  
work drawing up the details of a bill which  
will materially reduce taxation. The pro-  
position is to be submitted to the forth-  
coming session of the Imperial Diet. Re-  
ductions, it is said, will be made in the  
income, business, and sugar consumption  
taxes to a total amount estimated at  
¥10,000,000. The authorities, it is re-  
ported by the Asahi, have decided to  
maintain the three "objectionable" taxes  
—the woven goods consumption, transit  
and special salt taxes. The woven goods  
consumption tax amounts now to  
¥33,000,000 and that on salt to ¥13,000,000  
per annum, while the transit tax is in-  
significant.

A difference is reported to have arisen  
between the American General Electric  
Co., the Shibaura Electric Factory and the  
Tokyo Electric Apparatus Co., who had  
agreed to the amalgamation of their busi-  
nesses. In consequence of the friction,  
negotiations seem to have come to a  
complete standstill. It appears that the  
three companies proposed to sell electric  
apparatus in China besides starting  
electrical industries there. The Mitsui  
Company, who are the owners of the  
Shibaura Factory, proposed, however, to  
carry on an electric business apart from the  
union, as they are already doing. On the  
other hand, some American capitalists have  
insisted that a similar business in China  
should not be in direct competition with the  
proposed union. Thus the American  
Electric Company, now proposes to retire  
from the arrangement, on the ground that  
circumstances are not now favourable to  
the union.

Once again deadlock has been reached in  
the Pratas Island affair though the negotia-  
tions, according to official reports, were  
about to end amicably. The Chinese com-  
missioners held that the demands of M.  
Nishizawa for compensation were not  
reasonable, being in excess of his  
actual outlays. Further, the Chinese  
representatives are reported to have de-  
cided to prefer a claim for the value  
of the products carried away from the  
island by Nishizawa and also for the alleged  
damages sustained by Chinese fishermen.  
The Japanese Foreign Office had not made  
any investigation into the accounts sub-  
mitted by Nishizawa, the total of which  
are said by the Asahi to be a little over  
¥300,000. The Japanese authorities sub-  
mitted his statement merely for the  
guidance of the commissioners sent by the  
two governments to make an examination  
into the affair. According to telegrams in  
some Tokyo papers, the Chinese traders of  
Canton are waxing indignant over the  
delay in settling the affair, while they  
further urge that the Japanese proposals  
are quite absurd.

Domestic political circles are quiet at  
present owing to the summer holidays,  
most of the responsible government officials  
and the leading politicians having retired  
into the country. Recently bye-elections  
took place to replace the members of the  
Lower House who lost their seats in con-  
nection with the "sugar scandal" case. In  
some electoral divisions the campaign was  
fought very seriously and a large number  
of supporters of the various candidates were  
arrested on a charge of infringing the  
Election Law. Thirteen of the candidates  
belonging to the Seiyun-kyo were elected  
out of the fourteen offering, so the  
party only lost one seat. Its pre-  
sent strength in the House is 190. Mr.  
Tachikawa, one of the prominent members  
belonging to the same party, was recently  
found guilty in the Osaka District Court of  
being connected with the slaughter houses  
scandal case. The Daido Club lost two  
seats in consequence of the sugar scandal,  
but the loss was made good in the bye-elec-  
tion. Four seats were also lost by the  
Progressives but they have since recovered  
them. It may be mentioned that Mr.  
Tsuruhara, formerly chief of the General  
Bureau in the Residency-General, and Mr.  
Ishio, a leading lawyer of Tokyo, both  
belonging to the Seiyun-kyo, failed to carry  
their constituencies in Tochigi and Gunma  
prefectures.

The Mukden-Antung Railway question is  
the only topic in Japan at present, but  
doubtless Hongkong is tired of the subject,  
though it is far from being settled.

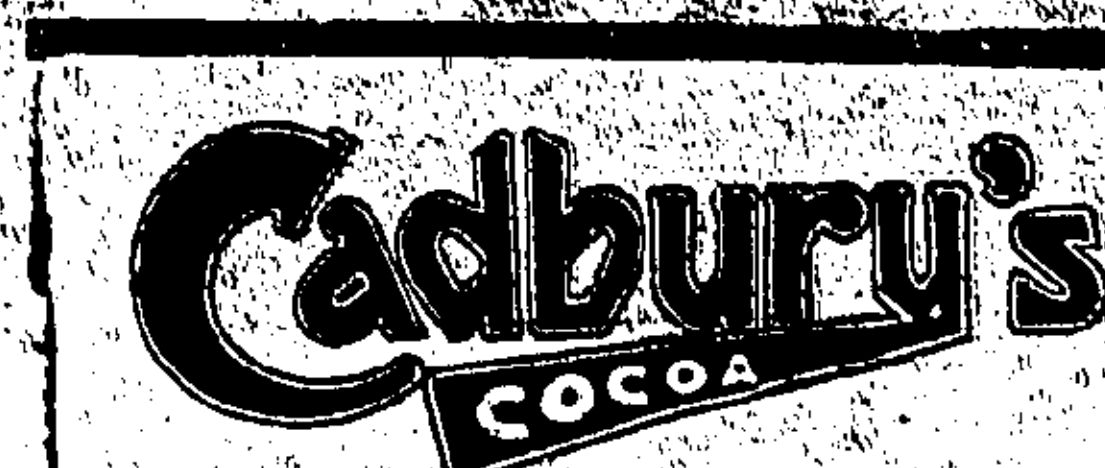
A little before 4 a.m. on the 8th instant  
a severe shock of earthquake was felt in  
Kobe. The tremor was sudden and acute,  
the maximum amplitude being 3 millime-  
ters. Some buildings were more or less  
damaged.

It is reported in the commercial press  
that the organization scheme of the East-  
Asia Industrial Company has reached a  
deadlock owing to the Mitsui Bishi Com-  
pany and the Sanitomo Family adopting  
an indifferent attitude towards the project,  
in consequence of the fact that the business  
of the proposed union conflicts with their  
interests in Kobe and in China. Mr.  
Yamato, one of the promoters, says that  
the capital, ¥1,000,000, does not represent  
the funds which the company can command  
if necessary for money should arise.

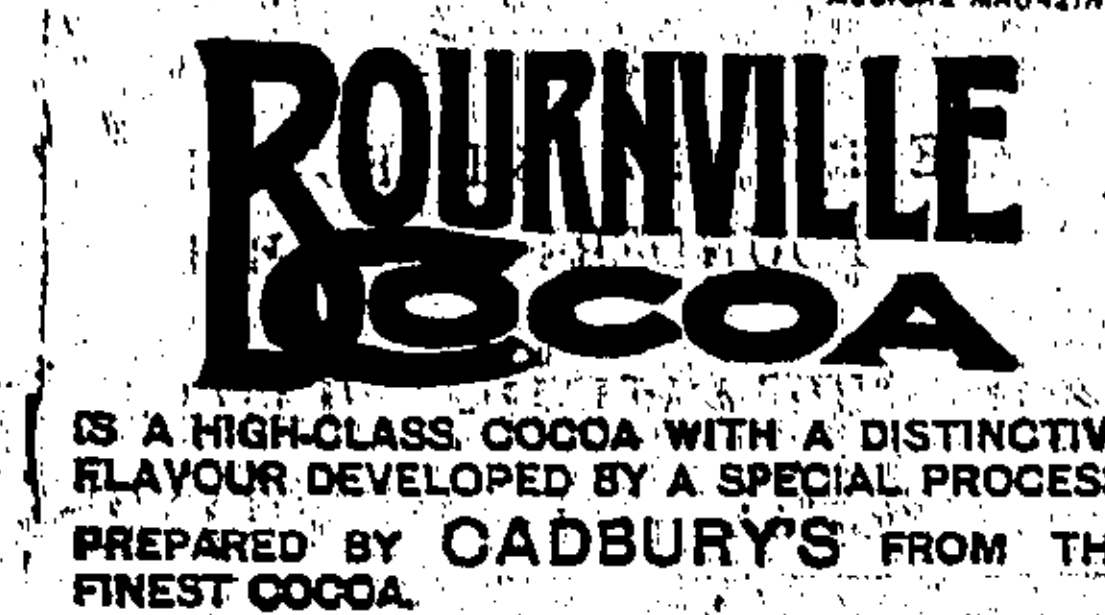
In spite of heat varying from 85 to 88  
degrees every day, frost fell on Mount Fuji  
on the 8th instant.

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On MONDAY, the 23rd August, and  
WEDNESDAY, the 25th September:—  
From Palahawan (Lyemum) in a North-  
Easterly direction, at ranges up to  
6,500 yards, commencing at 5 P.M.,  
and finishing at 11 P.M.  
On FRIDAY, the 27th August:—  
From Albion (Stobocenters) in Westerly  
direction, at ranges up to 6,500  
yards, commencing at 5 P.M., and  
finishing at 11 P.M.  
On TUESDAY, the 31st August:—  
From East Battery (Stobocenters) in a  
West-South-Westerly direction, at  
ranges up to 7,500 yards, commencing  
at 8 A.M., and finishing at 1 P.M.  
If the weather is unfavourable on any  
of the above dates, Practice will take place  
on the following day.

All ships, junks and other vessels are to  
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## CANTON NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

August 20.

HONOUR FOR KEEPING UP OLD CUSTOMS.

It was formerly a strict rule of Chinese

etiquette that on the death of an Emperor

no one was allowed to shave his head for a

period of 100 days. This custom has lately

fallen into disuse but we are given to

understand that a prominent resident in

Hongkong carried out the rule strictly.

Now a certain official has come forward

with a plan for getting up a subscription

to pay for the cost of erecting a monument

in the native village of the Hongkong

gentleman to commemorate his perform-

ance of a pious action.

METROPOLE EXAMINATIONS.

The Minister of Education has directed

the Viceroy to notify official students

that the examinations to be held in Peking

will take place during the 8th month and

that all candidates must reach the capital

before the 10th day of that month.

POLICE: THE SHUN TAI DISTRICT.

The Shun Tai district is often the seat

of crimes of brigandage and violence and

the local gentry have petitioned the Taoist

of Canton to have the district adequately

policed. The scheme includes the better

payment of the district militia. The Taoist

has given his official sanction to the plan

and the magistrate of Shun Tai has been

directed to render all possible assistance.

UNFILIAL CONDUCT.

A keeper of a firewood store in Sai

Kwan quarrelled with his son and the

latter stabbed his father in the face with

a knife. He inflicted a nasty wound which

had to be sewn up. The case was reported

to the police and the young man was ar-

rested for his unnatural action.

A POPULAR OFFICIAL.

Some time ago we reported the escape of

nine prisoners during a disturbance at the

Sun Ling prison and we mentioned that

the consequences to the magistrate in charge

were likely to be serious. Now we hear

that the local gentry have petitioned the

Viceroy begging that the official may retain

his post as, in their estimation, he is a very

calm and trustworthy person.

A BRIGAND TURNS DETECTIVE.

The following gives some idea of the

Chinese idea of dealing with bandits.

Some time ago the Brigadier General of

the Ko-Chow prefecture received infor-

mation that a very notorious bandit named

Chang Yat Kan, who was "arrested" for

numerous offences, would be willing to

surrender himself to the authorities if a

free pardon were guaranteed. In return

he volunteered to effect the capture of

several of his late confederates. His offer

was accepted and he led out a detachment

of troops which captured no less than

twenty-six noted bandits. They were

immediately beheaded to prevent further

trouble.

## THE MANILA OPIUM SEIZURES.

To avoid arrest on a warrant issued by

the court, William Kennedy, the well

known local Chinese banker, walked into

the office of the clerk of the court yester-

day, says the Manila Colonias American

of August 21, and surrendered himself.

He was released on bail in the amount of

P2,500.

The other Chinaman who is charged

with illegal importation in this same deal

is now in Hongkong. He was formerly in

the city police department and went to

Hongkong in connection with an attempt

to put a stop to the illegal importation that

was being carried on from that port.

No complaints have been filed as yet

against the other two Americans who are

under surveillance. One of these is now in

Hongkong.

In view of the fact that one of the persons

already arrested has made an offer to turn

state's evidence and to peach on his co-  
partners in the illegal importation there is  
a condition of considerable uneasiness among  
all those concerned, and it is believed that  
some startling information will be in con-  
dition for publication in a few days.

## INFANTILE CHOLERA.

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Tongue—Nagu Tai...	60
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Ham—Nagu Kiu...	18
Feet—Nagu Kerk...	8
Kidneys—Nagu Yiu...	10
Tail—Nagu Mei...	18
Liver—Nagu Con...	12
Tripe (undressed)—Nagu To...	12
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Leg—Yung Pui...	22
Shoulder—Yung Shau...	20
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Feet—Chi Kerk...	18
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Holow—Hoi How Pak Kip...	20
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Red—Hong Kerk...	4
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Cabbage Red—Hung Yek Chai...	18
Cabbage (Shanghai)—Yeh Chai...	18
Cane Shoots, hunch—Kai Shun...	3
Cauliflower, Large size—Tui Yek Chai...	18
Medium size—Cheung Yeh Chai...	18
Small size—Sai Yeh Chai...	18
Carrots—Kam Shun...	18
Celery, Chinese—Tung Kan Chai...	4
English—Yung...	4
Chilies Dried—Con Lat Chai...	5
Red—Hong Kerk...	5
Green—Ching Lat Chai...	5
Curry Stuf, English—Kai Lee Chai...	8
Cucumbers—Oting Kwa...	2
Blister Squash—Sun Tai Keung...	6
Old—Lo Keung...	6
Horseradish, Shai—Lik Kai...	30
Indian Corn—Suk Mai...	18
Lettuce—Yung Sang Chai...	18
Water Cress—Moi Tai...	18
Mandarin—Kwai Lam Mai Tai...	8
Mushrooms, Fresh—Sung Cho Khe...	45
Musik Melon (Am)—Kam San Hong Kwa...	18
Okra...	18
Onions, Bombay—Yung Chong Tan...	7
Green—Sung Chai...	4
Shanghai—Shung Hoi Ching Tai...	15
Papaw, lat qual—Tui Man Sai Kwa...	15
2nd... Chung...	15
Parsley—Kun Chai...	18
Green Peas—Ching Tai...	18
Potatoes Sweet—Fan Shu...	3
Shanghai—Shung Hoi Shai Tai...	3
Japan—Yut Poon Shai Tai...	3
American—Pa Hoi...	3
Poonchew—Fok Chai Shai Tai...	2
Pumpkin—Tung Kwa...	8
Radish—Hung Lo Pak Tai...	8
Rhubarb (Fresh)—Tui Wong...	8
Sage—Chi So...	8
Shallots—Oon Chong Tai...	8
Spinach—Yiu Chai...	8
Tomatoes—Fan Kerk...	8
Taro—Wu Tuo...	3
Turnips, Punt, (Lung)—Loo Tai...	3
English—Yung Chai...	3
Vegetable Marrow—Chai Kwa...	3
(Am)—Kam San Chai...	3
Water Cress—Hoi Yung Chai...	3
Eily root—Lai Ngai...	3
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... Foochow, ... Fuk Chau Shu Tin		3	福州薯仔
... Spinach, ... Tong Koo		3	紅薯仔
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MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

**Auctions.**  
10 a.m.—Auction of Government Stores at Army Ordnance Store, Queen's Road East.  
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture at No. 3, Blue Buildings (first floor).

**Miscellaneous.**  
Goods per Australia undelivered after this date at noon will be subject to rent and landing charges.  
Goods per Kangaroo undelivered after this date subject to rent.  
Goods per C. Ford, Latic undelivered after this date subject to rent.

**General Memoranda.**  
THURSDAY, August 26—  
11 a.m.—Auction of 2,500 tons of Australian Coal at Yau Ma Tei Police Station.  
Goods per Benlauer undelivered after this date subject to rent.

FRIDAY, August 27—  
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture at No. 3, Blue Buildings (first floor).  
5 p.m.—Military Gun Practice.  
Goods per Prince Waldemar undelivered after this date subject to rent.

SATURDAY, August 28—  
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture at No. 3, Green Villas, Kowloon.  
8 p.m.—Boxing at City Hall.  
Goods per Mongolia undelivered after this date subject to rent.

MONDAY, August 30—  
Goods per America undelivered after this date at 3 p.m. subject to rent.  
Goods per Siberia undelivered after this date subject to rent.

## The China Mail.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, AUGUST 24, 1909.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY AND METEOROLOGY.

Consider the paramount importance of accurate weather forecasting in such a place as Hongkong, with its enormous shipping interests, it is a thousand pities that the Government is not in a position to establish a wireless telegraph station in the Colony. The Tamar is fitted up to receive and transmit wireless messages, but only for the use and in the service of the Royal Navy. What the Colony requires is a station open to the public service, for now that the C.F.R. steam-

ers, the T.K.K. liners and the principal ships of the N.Y.K. (not to mention the P. and O. in the near future) are all fitted with wireless apparatus, the way is fully prepared for immediate utilization by the Colony of one of the most wonderful inventions of the present age. But "our poverty not our will consents" to Hongkong lagging behind in the march of civilization, to the detriment of our meteorological service and the great loss of the shipping. Hongkong Observatory is fairly well served nowadays with telegraphic observations from many points but there are still gaps which should be filled if the Staff is to do all that the maritime population expect of it. These gaps to a great extent could be bridged if it were possible to receive from ships coming down the Formosa channel crossing over from Formosa or Manila or coming up from the south, wireless messages 12 to 24 hours ahead of their reaching Hongkong. Scientists in Europe have not been slow to grasp the great possibilities of a service such as we describe above. In a recent issue of *Cosmos* we read that Dr. Dubs, the director of the meteorological observatory at Aix la Chapelle, visited the United States in 1907 and, having become convinced in Washington of the reliability of regular wireless communication between vessels, instituted, in the course of his return voyage, experiments which demonstrated the feasibility of transmitting weather indications from ship to ship in this way. The coast wireless stations which are most important for communication with vessels navigating the Atlantic Ocean are those of the English Channel, the west coast of Ireland and the eastern shores of the United States and Canada. Several of these stations can make themselves understood to a distance of 2,000 miles, so that vessels can receive intelligence from land during the entire voyage across the Atlantic. The wireless transmitters on shipboard, however, are much less powerful. Their radius of action seldom exceeds 500 miles, and they cannot send messages directly to land from a greater distance than this.

During the summer of 1908 Dr. Dubs made an experimental voyage across the Atlantic and back, on the Hamburg steamer Kaiserin Augusta Victoria. He had arranged with several steamship companies to take part in the experiments, and from their vessels he received 25 wireless messages on the outward and 19 on the return passage. In addition, the Aix la Chapelle observatory sent him, via the wireless station at Chillon, Ireland, daily reports of meteorological observations made on the English and French coasts. The transmission was perfectly successful up to the end of the fourth day of the outward voyage, when the ship was about 2,000 miles from the Irish coast. The messages, which were in cipher, were transmitted without a single error. When the ship came within the zone of influence of the American stations, it received daily reports from the Weather Bureau at Washington. These reports were transmitted more rapidly than those from Aix la Chapelle, but they were often curtailed, a fact which was attributed to the employment of code words instead of ciphers. Conversely, meteorological observations made on the ship were sent out daily by wireless, for transmission to Aix la Chapelle. During the first two days of the westward voyage these messages were received directly by the wireless stations on the English Channel. Afterward, the messages were transmitted indirectly through vessels nearer shore. This system was employed until the ship was in mid-ocean, and the transmission of the messages to Aix occupied two full days. The messages sent directly on the return trip reached Aix in less than 15 hours—one of them in one hour and forty minutes. Daily weather charts were drawn from the reports received from land in combination with observations made on board. A German commission has since been appointed for the purpose of conducting a more extensive series of experiments.

Commenting on these experiments, *Cosmos* argues:—"Collaboration between meteorological and wireless stations, ashore and afloat, would benefit navigation as well as meteorology, for the captain of a ship at sea has a profound interest in forthcoming weather changes. The receipt of various meteorological data from a few stations would not always suffice, but the void would be filled if the wireless stations on the coast should send out daily, at a predetermined hour, weather forecasts obtained from neighbouring meteorological stations, for the benefit of all ships within the zones of influence of the wireless stations. In particular, effective warnings of approaching storms might be given in this way. An attempt in this direction has already been made in Holland. The police schooner of the North Sea fisheries receives daily, while within the zone of the wireless station of Scheveningen, the weather forecasts of the meteorological institute at Bilt. Whenever it is possible, special storm warnings are also sent to the schooner, which transmits the messages to the fishing boats by flag signals. It may be expected that, as the number and frequency of weather reports sent by vessels to meteorological stations increase, the forecasts will become more accurate and more valuable to the vessels which receive them."

Perhaps when Hongkong has readjusted its licensing scheme, and every drop of spirituous liquor that enters the colony pays its due toll to the local Treasury we shall find ourselves so blessed with means that Sir FREDERICK LUGARD will be able to set aside an appropriation for a wireless installation station. The sooner that time comes the better.

**NEWS OF THE DAY.**  
The Bandanians are playing to crowded houses in Manila.  
Ingram street, Glasgow, has been devastated by fire, the damage amounting to £250,000.  
There are now one hundred Annamites serving as police constables in the French concession at Shanghai.  
New Press regulations, giving greater liberty of action, are expected to be issued in Peking shortly.  
Cannot the Government do something towards reducing the luxuriant crop of herbage now impeding traffic in so many of the thoroughfares of Kowloon?

The Waiwupai has telegraphed to the different provincial governments instructing them strictly to forbid any foreign merchant establishing navigation outside the limits of Treaty ports.  
Eight people were killed and forty injured by a railway collision at Colorado Springs in the first week of August. Four hundred passengers who were panic-stricken stampeded through clouds of steam.  
Chinese in Kweichow and their agents in Shanghai are talking of boycotting British steamers trading between these ports in consequence of the recent manslaughter proceedings terminating in the acquittal of the foreign police officer.  
The Curzon Wylie memorial committee in London propose a tablet in the crypt of St. Paul's Cathedral and the investment of the remainder of the funds on behalf of the Asiatic stranger's home in which Sir W. Curzon Wylie was greatly interested.  
We have received the reports of the Nippon Fire Insurance Company, Ltd., and of the Meiji Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. The former declares a dividend of 15 per cent, and carries forward substantial sums to various reserves besides ¥112,637,681 to next account; the latter distributes a dividend of 20 per cent, and increases its reserves by ¥105,258,719.

We are requested to state that the Superintendent of the Botanical and Forestry Department is prepared to undertake the clearing of superfluous brushwood from Crown land in the close vicinity of dwelling houses with the object of reducing the harbours for mosquitoes, which such brushwood is known to afford. The rate charged will be 50 cents per 1,000 square feet paid in advance by the applicant.

The Self Government Society of Canton is again on the warpath. The members are expressing indignation, because they have heard that the British and Portuguese Ministers in Peking have made representations concerning their wanton interference in matters which do not concern them, while they are saying hard things about the German Consul because he is alleged to have asked the Viceroy to forbid the Society to discuss the affairs of a certain German firm.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Kline returned to the Colony yesterday per s.s. Tenyo Maru.

Mr. B. Brotherton Barker returned to the Colony to-day per s.s. Haimun from Swatow.

Among the passengers per the s.s. Zafiro was Mr. G. Moffatt who returned to the Colony yesterday after a holiday in the Philippines.

General Sir Ian Hamilton has the distinguished honour of being the only foreign general invited to witness the grand military manoeuvres at Krauss Solo next September. He will be the special guest of the War.

Mr. Donnan Fuller, organist of St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong, opens the magnificent new organ of the Cathedral of St. Mary and St. John, Manila, this week, with two recitals. During his stay there he is the guest of Bishop Brent.

Mr. Winstan Churchill has been invited by the German Emperor to attend the military manoeuvres in Bavaria. He will have for a fellow guest Marshal Mahmond Cherkes Pasha, who took such a leading part in the deposition of the Sultan.

Paris telegrams of July 23 state that Captain Perthus, who was wounded in the course of an engagement with pirates in Indo-China, has died of his wounds. The stockade from behind which the French losses were indicated has been mined and blown up by the French troops. Twenty-five dead rebels were found in the ruins.

In the rather belated June issue of *Social Standard*, the Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewett, of Hongkong, occupies the place of honour as a "Man of Note in China." Some appreciative remarks are made concerning his services to Shanghai, and it is said that the Hongkong Park will ever be a monument of his foresight. His labours in connection with the initiation of the Huangpu conservancy work are also not forgotten.

**A DIVER'S DEATH.**  
A Chinese foreman diver met his death yesterday while engaged in operations at Taikeo Dockyard, Quarry Bay. He had descended into the water and was under foot some time when by some means the apparatus went wrong, with the result that the diver became suffocated.

**ANOTHER NEW TERRITORY ROBBERY.**  
An unemployed cook has reported to the police that while he was walking on the Tsingtau road, about seven miles out, he was seized upon by three robbers who bound him up and demanded money from him. He told them he only possessed a dollar and his story is that the men then took this from him and tied him to a tree where he remained for over two hours, eventually attracting the attention of a passer-by who released him.

**SPORTING.**  
**Polo.**  
Shanghai beat a polo team from Tsingtau last week by seven goals to two. Shanghai were of course playing on their own ground.

**County Cricket.**  
In the matches played on August 16, 17 and 18, says the *N.Y. Daily News*, Warwickshire beat Northampton by 58 runs; Kent defeated Surrey at the Oval by nine wickets; and Lancashire beat Derbyshire at Chesterfield by 150 runs. The matches between Gloucestershire and the Australia, Hampshire and Somersetshire, and Essex at Taunton, Leicestershire and Sussex at Leicester, and Yorkshire and Middlesex at Leeds, were drawn, owing to wet weather.

Result to August 18, 1909.

Counties.	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	Points	Per Cent.
Kent (2)	23	14	9	7	75.00	
Yorkshire (1)	22	14	8	8	57.14	
Lancashire (7)	21	13	4	4	52.94	
Sussex (5)	23	6	14	3	33.33	
Surrey (3)	23	17	6	0	30.00	
Worcestershire (6)	17	8	7	2	47.06	
Northampton (15)	17	8	7	2	47.06	
Hampshire (9)	16	6	7	3	37.50	
Middlesex (4)	18	4	9	5	22.22	
Somersetshire (16)	13	4	5	4	30.77	
Nottingham (8)	18	5	5	8	27.78	
Warwickshire (12)	17	3	7	7	17.65	
Essex (11)	15	2	7	6	13.33	
Leicestershire (13)	17	3	6	8	17.65	
Derbyshire (14)	19	2	12	5	10.53	
Gloucestershire (10)	19	1	12	6	5.26	

Figures in brackets denote positions held at the close of last season.

The silk shipped per the R.M.S. Empress of India which left Hongkong on the 24th July at Yokohama, on the 2nd August, arrived in New York on Sunday the 22nd August, thus making a transit of 28 days from Hongkong and 20 days from Yokohama.

As a result of a fight between Ng Si-beng and his nephew Ng Kow, arising out of a financial squabble, twenty Chinese belonging to the Gee Hock Tong and the Ban Shung Tong were summarily deported from Manila without trial. The deported men declare they had nothing to do with the fight. Many of them have been domiciled in the Philippines for thirty years.

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## GRETAN TROUBLE ENDED.

**GREEK REPLY SATISFACTORY.**  
(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
London, August 23.

A Constantinople message states that following the Council of Ministers on Saturday the Press was officially informed that the Greek reply to the Porte's Note was satisfactory.

London, August 24.

Reuter's Constantinople correspondent wires that the Turkish Cabinet, while approving of the principle of the Greek reply, yesterday decided to further appeal to the Powers with a view to a definite settlement of the Cretan regime.

**TO THE NORTH POLE BY BALLOON.**  
**A BAD START.**  
(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
London, August 23.

The Wellman balloon started for the North Pole and rapidly covered 22 miles when, however, the machinery broke down.

**CONQUEST OF THE AIR.**  
**NINE AEROPLANES IN A RACE.**  
(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
London, August 23.

The opening day of the great Aviation week at Rheims was marred by wind and rain.

Towards evening the wind dropped, enabling spectators to witness the unprecedented sight of nine aeroplanes racing simultaneously.

The honours went to M. Le Febvre, who on a Wright biplane, created the best achievement in speed, stability and dirigibility.

**NAVAL EXPLOSION AT WEIHAIWEI.**  
**THE KING'S SYMPATHY.**  
(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
London, August 24.

His Majesty the King, wiring from Marienbad, has notified the Admiralty that he greatly regrets the boiler disaster, which occurred on H. M. S. Otter at Weihaiwei on the 18th inst., causing two deaths and injuries to two other seamen. The accident was caused by the bursting of a boiler tube.

It is reported from Shidzuoka that a great fire broke out at about one o'clock on Saturday afternoon, August 7, in a chimney of the house belonging to Mr. Nagatani Isogoro, at Nakabe, Sakuma Prefecture. Fanned by a wind, the fire soon had a strong hold, and despite the efforts of firemen and villagers, about 130 houses were destroyed before the fire was got under control at about 4 o'clock. The British factory of the Moji Paper Mill Company was at one time threatened by the fire, but escaped with the loss of a great pile of fire-wood. As there were only four hundred houses in the village, one third of it was destroyed. Among the buildings burned were the Post Office and Bank. One man was killed and more than a dozen were injured. The homeless people took refuge in temples and schools.

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## AEROPLANES IN JAPAN.

**UNIVERSITY COURSE OF LECTURES.**  
(Independent News Agency's Service to the China Mail.)  
Tokyo, August 23.

The Science Department of the North Eastern Imperial University, at Sendai, is contemplating a lecture course on airships next year.

**KOREAN CENTRAL BANK.**  
(Independent News Agency's Service to the China Mail.)  
Tokyo, August 23.

The first meeting of the inaugural committee of the Korean Central Bank was held this morning when a discussion upon the regulations was held.

**ANGLO-JAPANESE EXHIBITION.**  
(Independent News Agency's Service to the China Mail.)  
Tokyo, August 23.

Korea will exhibit chiefly agricultural productions at the Anglo-Japanese exhibition.

**NEW VICEROY OF CANTON.**  
(Wah Te Yat Po's Service.)  
SHANGHAI, August 23.

H. E. Yunn Shu-fan, the new Viceroy of Canton, who has almost recovered from his recent illness, has reached Shanghai.

**A FALSE RUMOUR.**  
(Wah Te Yat Po's Service.)  
SHANGHAI, August 23.

The rumour that the C.M.S.N. Co's steamer Kung San had been burnt to the water's edge near Wuhu is now reported to be untrue. It appears that some houses caught fire near to where the steamer was moored, and their destruction gave rise to the rumour that the steamer was burnt.

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Three Chinamen attired in long robes, and described as brokers, were, at the Magistracy to-day, formally charged with obtaining sums of money amounting to \$4,



## THE CRIMINAL CONVERSATION CASE.

## Adjourned for Mr. Lemm's Appearance.

The hearing of the action was continued, before the Chief Justice (Sir F. Pigott) and a special jury, at the Supreme Court today, in which Capt. T. A. Mitchell, a bankrupt, and master of the s.s. Fooksang, alleged criminal conversation against Mr. John Lemm, architect, of 64, Queen's Road Central, but who is now absent from the Colony. The statement of claim contained allegations that at various times at 4, Granville Avenue, Kowloon; at 8, Granville Avenue, Kowloon; at 6, Rose Terrace, Kowloon; at Bua Vista Hotel, Macao; and at Eranee Bungalow, Observatory Road, Kowloon, Mr. Lemm unlawfully debauched and carnally knew Henrietta Maud Mitchell, the wife of plaintiff. In consequence of this misconduct by defendant on the 7th of November, 1906, plaintiff obtained a decree of divorce in the First Division of the Court of Sessions at Edinburgh. Plaintiff claimed \$16,000 general damages and \$17,187.23 special damages, representing money paid and payable in connection with the divorce proceedings.

Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C., (instructed) by Mr. H. W. Looker, from the office of Messrs Deacon, Looker and Duncan) was for plaintiff and Mr. W. Slade (instructed) by Mr. P. M. Hodgson, from the office of Messrs Ewins and Harston) was for defendant.

The following gentlemen constituted the special jury:—Messrs E. J. Hughes (Foreman), J. W. Dooler, E. Shillim, E. H. Hinds, M. S. Northcote, C. G. Moxon and M. S. Saxon.

Capt Mitchell was, at the request of Mr. Slade, recalled. He was questioned in relation to a request which he was asked to have made to Mr. Lemm to look after Capt and Mrs Mitchell's house in Kowloon while they were away. He said he remembered certain circumstances which might have prompted him to have written such a letter.

Mr. Slade—What I am putting to you is this—that you were not as unfriendly to Lemm as you tried to make out to the jury yesterday. That is in 1903. At that date circumstances had not come to my knowledge which made me feel unfriendly to him.

You told the jury yesterday that you never liked the man and except for the first year you never had anything to do with him. Well, I never liked the man then.

Later, witness said the letter containing the request might have been sent by him; certainly, the handwriting might have been his. In March, 1904, he did write to Mr. Lemm asking him to look after the house.

Besides Mr. Lemm you have accused a number of other men of committing adultery with your wife, haven't you?—I don't say accused. I have accused no one but Mr. Lemm.

What have you accused Mr. Lemm?—I haven't accused Mr. Lemm; I took proceedings against Mr. Lemm.

The Chief Justice—Making people co-respondents is accusing them. Well I made Mr. Lemm co-respondent.

Mr. Slade—You made other people co-respondents too?—Other people were brought into the proceedings after I commenced them.

Have you charged your wife with committing adultery with other people besides Lemm?—No, not to my knowledge.

What have you charged her with?

Mr. Slade—Yes. The Chief Justice—It does not mean charging her in a criminal court. He means have you made a charge against your wife of having committed adultery with other men?—My Lord, when I took the proceedings they were entirely on account of Lemm and in the meantime other knowledge came to me and I took advantage of it.

Mr. Slade—And therefore taking advantage of other knowledge you charged your wife with having committed adultery with other people?—Purely Lemm.

Will you please answer my question?—Yes or No. Don't fence. Yes, after certain knowledge came to me.

Remember you are on your oath. Answer my question and don't fence. I know I am on my oath; that is why I want to speak the truth.

How many people besides Lemm?—Two.

What?—I say say three.

Quite so, you should say three.

Capt. G. Major, master of the steam tug David Gillies, gave evidence to the effect that in May, 1900, he resided at 4, Granville Avenue, Kowloon, next door to Capt and Mrs Mitchell's residence. Mr. Lemm was then living in the house in the same street. He said when Mr. Lemm passed Mrs Mitchell's house he always whistled.

What was the result?—Mrs Mitchell used to answer him.

You heard the answering whistle?—Yes, I didn't see him. No, but I took it it was Mrs Mitchell.

Proceeding, witness said he noticed at that time that Mr. Lemm was a frequent visitor to Mrs Mitchell's house, going there nearly every evening.

Can you say anything as to the length of time he used to stay?—Sometimes I have seen him come out at 10 and 11 o'clock and sometimes I don't remember having seen him come out at all.

Mr. Slade—Don't remember.

Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C., (to witness) Can you say to your knowledge that he was in the house after 11 o'clock?—Well, I can only surmise that.

From what circumstance?—Well, I have seen him go in and I suppose out of curiosity I have waited to see him come out.

What time have you stopped up to?—Sometimes I may have been sitting in the verandah until 2 or 3 o'clock in the morning, not being able to sleep, and have not seen him come out.

The Chief Justice—You don't mean to represent that you were sitting out in your verandah purposely watching Mr. Lemm, do you?—I might have done so, sometimes out of curiosity.

Witness was cross-examined by Mr. Slade, admitting that when he was called in 1905 to give evidence on commission in regard to the divorce proceedings he did not mention any of these circumstances as to watching Mr. Lemm from the verandah.

Once witness admitted, while being questioned, that he looked black at Mr. Slade, later he appealed to the Chief Justice to "ask this gentleman not to look at me as if he is going to smother me."

Mr. Slade—I am asking you perfectly simple questions. Witness—If right; don't shout at me. The Chief Justice—You must answer the questions.

Witness—Well, I don't want him to throw them at me as if I was telling lies. Pau Kum Tuck stated that he was cooking for Mr. Mitchell while she was living at Eranee Bungalow in April, 1905. Mr. Lemm was often at the house, mostly at night time, coming generally at 7 p.m. and staying until 2 and 3 a.m. He, in fact, had a room there, in which was a bed "not of much use." Witness often was sent to Mr. Lemm's residence in Cameron Road to fetch his sleeping clothes and Mr. Lemm on those occasions slept at Mrs Mitchell's house. Witness had seen Mr. Lemm in his pyjamas in Mrs Mitchell's bedroom, the latter being attired in "a long sleeping dress."

In cross-examination witness said Mrs Mitchell lived in the house as well and always slept in her mother's room. Francisco Joachin Marques was the next witness called. He said he was the manager of the Bua Vista Hotel, Macao. He identified photographs of Mrs Mitchell and Mr. Lemm, and said he remembered their coming to the hotel in October, 1904. From the leaves of the hotel register produced he read the entry. He did not see the entry written, not being in the office at the time. The rooms allotted to the party were Nos. 10 and 11. The former was occupied by Mr. Lemm and the other by Mrs Mitchell and her daughter. There was a verandah running along in front of the rooms, but there was a partition between which, however, there was a door, so that there was communication between the two rooms. The partition between Mr. Lemm, who also signed the "chits" in the name of "Mr. Lemm." In December of the same year the same party again visited the hotel and occupied rooms similarly situated.

Cross-examined by Mr. Slade, the entries in the hotel register were read. When they were written, haven't they?—I can't say when the entries were made, but when I saw the entry it was in the same state as it is now.

The name which was written there in the first instance was "John Lemm," wasn't it?—When I saw it it was already in its altered state as it is now.

Well, then it is altered to "John Lemm" with "Lemm" written on top?—Yes, but when I saw it it was already as it is now. Take the second one.

That is originally written "J. Lemm," wasn't it?—This I saw Mr. Lemm sign himself. You saw him write it in that form?—Yes.

Now turn up your hotel book for that day. What name have you got down against the room?—Lemm.

"John Lemm." And yet you say he signed the book "J. Denning"?—I knew he was Mr. Lemm.

But he signed his chits "John Lemm," didn't he?—Yes.

And yet you say you saw him sign "John Denning"?

The Chief Justice—Does the witness recognise it as being altered?

Witness—This signature was made in my presence, J. Denning.

Do you see the alteration? Look at that "g" not an alteration, it was written by him at a time.

Replying to further questions witness said Mrs Mitchell's name always appeared in the account book on these visits, as well as Mr. Lemm's, though the latter always paid.

P. A. Pereira, assistant manager of the Bua Vista Hotel, gave evidence to seeing Mr. Lemm sign the register in October 1904. On the following day he examined the entry, which then read "Johnson Lemm."

The case for the plaintiff being concluded, the hearing was adjourned sine die in order to allow of the appearance of Mr. John Lemm, the defendant.

## MANILA CARNIVAL.

## Some of Next Year's Features.

Manila is already at work preparing to receive visitors to the next carnival, which will be held from February 5 to 14. The big festa, as they refer to it in that very hospitable city, will be on a large and grander scale next year than anything yet attempted in the Orient, and will be well worth a visit. Those visitors from Hongkong and cities along the China coast who were so fortunate as to partake of the lavish entertainment afforded by the Philippine Carnival Association early this year, will never forget the experience.

While the real fun-making features will not be curtailed but will really be on a larger scale than before, more attention will be paid to the industrial features of the show. This was begun on a small scale at the last carnival and was very successful indeed, and next February the Philippine Government will have exhibits of the handicrafts of the people from all parts of the islands to show at the carnival. There will also be an agricultural fair and livestock exhibit which will go a long way toward showing just what the Americans have in the same country as the Philippine people. The latter features will be under the supervision of the Hon. Dean C. Worcester, Secretary of the Interior, than whom there is not a more able man in the whole government.

Mr. C. Rosenstock, who is well known in Hongkong, and who is a member of the Carnival Publicity Committee, arrived from Manila on the Mongolia, and is making a special trip along the coast for the purpose of interesting people in the big carnival. He is very enthusiastic and declared to a representative of this paper that the forthcoming carnival would prove to be the biggest affair of the sort ever attempted in the Far East.

"The Manila carnival spirit," which has become famous in this part of the world, is more alive than ever," Mr. Rosenstock said, "and the residents of the islands, irrespective of nationality, are very busy arranging for the big festa in February. There will be several features which have not been attempted before," he continued, "as, for instance, the ships of the American Asiatic Squadron, which are now on this station, will be augmented by half a dozen of the largest cruisers of the United States navy, and possibly a couple of battleships, all of which will be in Manila bay during the carnival week, and the Government has requested other countries which maintain naval vessels in Far Eastern waters to have ships in Manila at the same time. There is every reason to expect that they will be there. As a result there will be contingents of the United States and other parts of the Far East, who will compete with the American soldiers in feats of skill of various sorts, and in athletic contests."

"The people of Manila have not forgotten the kindness of the British people here in sending the famous Rialto band over to the last carnival, and the attendance of officers will never be forgotten. It is expected that a polo team will go to

Manila from Hongkong for the next carnival, as well as crack athletes of the game."

"Probably the biggest feature of the next carnival will be the land parade, which will be given at night. It is now the intention of those who have this feature in charge to open the carnival with this parade at least four hours for it to pass along the streets of the city. The famous Red Devil, which made such a hit in the last carnival, will play an important part in this monster parade. Prizes aggregating many thousands of dollars will be offered to merchants who will prepare the big floats."

"We want it distinctly understood," Mr. Rosenstock concluded, "that it makes no difference how many visitors we have in Manila during carnival week, every one of them will be taken care of. Much has been said about the lack of hotels in our city. Now, while to a certain extent we are handicapped by the lack of big modern hotels, which handicap we are trying rapidly to overcome, no visitor who ever wants to see the carnival will be disappointed in coming to seeing that he was cared for."

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## THE LICENSING QUESTION.

(To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL.")

Dear Sir,—It has occurred to me that a good many of your readers may be interested to know that the proposals of the local Government in respect to an increase of license fees are practically on all fours with those which the Imperial Government proposed to enforce recently in the United Kingdom. Also, it may interest your readers who may not have followed the agitation at home closely to know that the proposals of the Imperial Authorities caused great annoyance to hotel proprietors, licensees and others, who strongly objected to the basis of the assessment including (as it was proposed to do here) the value of the whole of any licensed premises.

Furthermore, it is a fact that the hotel-keepers took joint action in Scotland as well as in England, Ireland and Wales to induce government to place hotels on the same footing as clubs in respect to the charge for annual licenses, from which it is clear that Clubs are, at all events will be, taxed throughout the United Kingdom.

That what I have stated is true in substance and in fact will be gathered from the subjoined extract from the *Glasgow Weekly Mail* of 10 July for which I would crave the favour of space in your columns.

—Yours faithfully,

A. BRITTON.

(Enclosure.)

## SCOTTISH HOTEL-KEEPERS' PROTEST.

The Committee of Hotelkeepers and Restaurateurs of the Scottish Licensed Trade Defence Association met in the Trades Hall, Glasgow, on Wednesday (7 July). Mr. John Smith, Glasgow, presiding. On the motion of Mr. John McKillop, Greenocroft, Glasgow, seconded by Mr. Bertram Clouston, Grand Hotel, Aberdeen, a resolution was adopted protesting against the Budget proposals regarding license duty, which it characterized as a serious impost and excessive, and recording the opinion of the committee that hotels and restaurants should be taxed for license duty on the amount of their purchases of alcoholic liquors at the same rate and on the same principle as clubs, and not on the annual value of their premises, these not being used entirely for the sale of alcoholic liquors. The meeting expressed approval of the resolution adopted by the London traders, and pledged themselves to promote the interests of the association and to protect the interests of the traders.

## THE FINANCES PROBLEM.

(To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL.")

Dear Sir,—Observing that several proposals have been put forward in the local Press respecting increased taxation I venture through the favour of your good offices to suggest a source of revenue which could be drawn upon quite as easily as alcoholic liquors and which at 10% ad valorem would yield fully \$100,000 per annum. I refer to cigars, cigarettes and tobacco, of which enormous quantities are consumed in this colony.

Assuming there are 200,000 smokers in the colony (which includes youths and women) and that each of them spends the modest sum of \$3 per annum on the "fragrant weed" you have a gross value of \$1,000,000, which at 10% would produce, as I have just asserted, \$100,000.

If it be said that there is no need to tax both tobacco and cigars, my reply would be that our finances are in anything but a satisfactory state and the water supply of the Colony is obviously very inadequate in a matter of paramount importance that we should not only make good the loss of revenue as well as the \$400,000 obtained from the Widows and Orphans Funds, but should also make provision for more reservoirs, as speedily as possible.

(2) for potable water for the use of the general public.

(3) for storage of sea-water for various sanitary purposes and thus be able to keep our potable water solely for the culinary and other needs of the general public and the shipping.

If we are going to tax liquors we may as well also tax other luxuries, and it will surely not be denied that tobacco, cigars and cigarettes are not only luxuries but that indulgence in them to excess—especially by youths and young women amounts to indulgence in a vice which is exceedingly harmful. Therefore I say tax cigars, cigarettes and tobacco as high as possible and thereby raise the value of those articles, especially the cost of cigarettes, to an extent which may be productive of a diminution of the habit—now extremely prevalent amongst the young—of swallowing the shreds of My Lady Nicotine.

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## MACAO NOTES.

(From our own Correspondent.)

MACAO, August 21.

We were not very wide of the mark when last we presented a disconcerting time for Commissioner Kne were he to move over so little from the unending policy which his erratic nationals at Canton have been at no end of a fuss to impress on him. These worthies are evidently taking time by the forelock as we now hear of a mass meeting convened by the satellites of the Self-Government Society which came off at Paksan at 4 p.m. on Sunday last. The deliberation grievances was mooted afresh and the salient features of the now familiar uproar was the adoption of a violent protest against the slow conduct of the discussions. And while urging their right to be kept posted as to the progress of the proceedings they scrupled not to taunt the Imperial Delegation with gross caricatures and upbraid him for lacking in civic. As dawn there was much cry and precious little wool.

It is generally regretted that Lisbon should not have evinced the same unalloyed spirit of discrimination which marked her choice of the Delimitation Envoys in the matter of her appointments in China. It is clear that she is not always blind to the imperious call of her own safety. A popular conviction is being pushed forward to bring about the transfer from Canton of the Consul Sr. Murao who, a most estimable personality albeit, is, in the opinion of those who know him best, the very last man for the post. Let us hope that General Machado, to whom Macao is presumably already indebted for the indefatigable stay here of Sr. Roçadas, will see his way to enhance his zeal for the Motherland by securing for her a representative at Canton fit to cope with the gravity of the juncture.

It is a far cry from Canton to the Secretariat General at Mozambique, but whoever does step into the shoes of Sr. Roçadas, we may now rest assured that it will certainly not be our friend of Tatu Maru fava; for we have it on good authority that Dr. Lello, to the transcendent prestige of Lisbon, is being told off to the foregoing berth. We welcome the news with self-reliant heightened by the fact that he will now cease to be a drag on the Colonial Exchequer; many will be surprised to learn that hereto he shall figure on the local pay-roll.

When the Government assumed direct control of the petroleum supply some months ago with a view to stifle an attempted corner by the native dealers, we referred to sundry drawbacks to the progress of the venture. H. E. the Governor has meanwhile been untiring in his endeavours to redress existing setbacks and a happy notion he conceived is on the eve of being realized. This afternoon a deed was effected with Mr. Bolles, of the Standard Oil Co., for the lease of a plot of ground near Barra Fuite, on which is proposed to erect an oil tank and the usual apparatus for the sole provision of the Colony, by the said company.

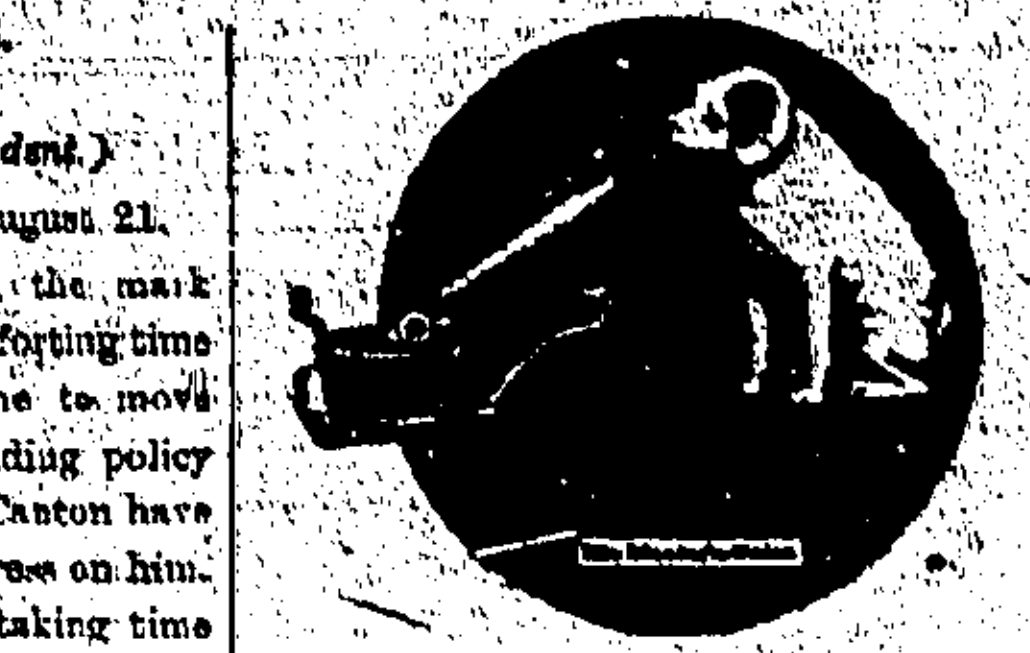
The pending Volunteer Corps is another scheme on which the Governor is particularly keen. He has pressed the President of the Club de Macao, requesting the latter's initiative in securing the active co-operation of the Colony at large towards the proposed organization. His Excellency went on to enlarge the very patriotic efficiency of kindred bodies in bygone days and expressed his reliance on the unflinching devotion of our own to the happy outcome of the movement. Consensus of opinion greets the scheme in principle but the eventual practicability is obvious to all who have watched the steady exodus of young blood more than ever marked of late, and to such are familiar with the many stumbling blocks in the way of our Hongkong friends who may be most eager to enrol.

The revival of the Santa Casa lottery was an economic urgency which demanded instant attention in the real interests of the colony, and a fresh attempt has been made to refound the monopoly, but on the date fixed for the valuation of the tenders not a soul turned up. And no wonder if the Home government will persist in its swine policy of insisting on the most preposterous terms, and this in the midst of such a dire straits. The Chinese are sick of all this shilly shally and it would be well if our local wake up to the fact that she stands to lose for good and all the goose with the golden eggs whose laying capacity has been greed to such an extent that she has been unable to keep the man on horseback. It is no more, we trust that Lisbon will hearken to sterling counsel and take up the running in revitalizing at least this one potent instrument of administrative and social well-being for the sake of the work carried on by the Santa Casa in all embracing. It gives one the fits to think of the host of opportunities that have run to seed. Take the late Opium Farm tender as a case in point. The Government but a perfectly unique chance of toning up the economic insecurity. Instead of which both the Colonial and Municipal coffers are still groaning under the worrying urgency to make both ends meet.

We hear of a \$4,000 vote sanctioned by Lisbon for the subterranean which it is intended to lay between here and Taipa. The heat continues in unrelenting closeness, without the solace, this week, of a single raindrop!

## DEATH OF MR. W. G. HOWELL.

The North-China Daily News records with regret the death of Mr. William Gunston Howell which took place at Blackheath, where he was living in retirement, on July 18. So long ago as 1850 Mr. Howell, who was the eldest son of the late Sir Thomas Howell, Director of Contracts to the War Department, came out to China and joined the firm of George Barclay and Co., as silk inspector. After amassing a moderate fortune he left China for good in 1866 and went to Great Britain. Losses through unfortunate investments compelled him again to take up active pursuits, and until 1880 he was editor of the *Japan Mail*, returning to London, he succeeded in the *Japan Mail* and was Secretary of the late Mr. J. C. Dymally at Secretary of the *Japan Mail*. Water Works Co., a post from which he recently retired on a well-earned pension after twenty-five years' service. His old-fashioned charm and cordiality of manner, his warm-heartedness and generosity will be remembered by all who knew him, and his death, therefore, one of the last of the old-fashioned Shanghai days.



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SIBERIA	18,000 Tons, FRIDAY, 1st Oct., at Noon.
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DESTINATIONS	STEAMERS	SAILING DATES
MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP, Via SINGAPORE, PENANG, OLOMBU AND PORT SAID	TAMBA MARU, Capt. O.H. Butler, Tons 6500	WEDNESDAY, 1st Sept., at Daylight.
VICTORIA, E.C. & SEATLE, Via KEELUNG, SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, SHIMIZU AND YOKOHAMA	INABA MARU, Capt. R. Takada, Tons 6500	WEDNESDAY, 16th Sept., at Daylight.
SYDNEY, Via MELBOURNE, MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE AND BRISBANE	SHINANO MARU, Capt. K. Kawa, Tons 6500	TUESDAY, 14th Sept., at 4 p.m.
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	* TANGO MARU, Capt. S. Ishikawa, Tons 8000	TUESDAY, 22nd Sept., at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	NIKKO MARU, Capt. M. Yagi, Tons 6000	FRIDAY, 3rd Sept., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	KUMANO MARU, Capt. M. Winkler, Tons 6000	FRIDAY, 1st Sept., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	MISAKI MARU, Capt. T. Mori, Tons 9000	THURSDAY, 26th Aug., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	* TAKASAKI MARU, Capt. A. Mochi, Tons 5000	TUESDAY, 24th Aug., at Noon.
YOKOHAMA	SHANGHAI MARU, Capt. M. Winkler, Tons 6000	WEDNESDAY, 1st Sept., at Noon.
BOMBAY, Via SINGAPORE AND COLOMBO	* MOYORI MARU, Capt. J.C. Richards, Tons 4000	THURSDAY, 2nd September.

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There was a mutiny in Holloway Prison last July, all the mutineers being suffragettes, who protested vigorously against being placed in the second division, wearing prison clothes, and being treated as ordinary criminals.

They also drew the attention of the prison authorities to the bad ventilation of their cells, adopting the simple but efficacious expedient of breaking the windows.

News of the mutiny was gained by Miss Pankhurst, Mrs. Tuke, and other members of the Women's Social and Political Union, who, by the kindness of a Holloway resident whose house overlooks the prison, were enabled to see and hold converse with the incarcerated fourteen.

The prisoners could be clearly seen and heard as they broke their broken windows, they put out their arms and waved handkerchiefs of the colours of the Union.

Each had sent a petition, they said, to the Home Secretary, in which they told him that they refused to obey prison regulations until treated as political offenders, and put in the first division.

The prison authorities had agreed to their retaining their own clothing until they were brought before the visiting magistrates, charged with mutiny.

They refused to perform the allotted work and declared their intention to persist until their demand to be treated as political offenders was granted.

The Governor visited the women to reason with them, but they were imperious to his arguments, and refused to alter their course of conduct. Besides refusing to do the prison work, they refused to give up their articles of jewellery.

These acts of insubordination were considered by the visiting magistrates. Sir E. Strong presiding, the others being Alderman Sir T. B. Crisley, Sir Alfred Reynolds, J.P., Mr. Sheppard, J.P., and Mr. H. Clarke, J.P. Punishment was meted out—Seven days' close confinement.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND SHANGHAI.

THE Co's Steamship Silesia, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be landed at their risk, into the Godowns and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., whence delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all claims must be sent to the Office of the Underwriters before Noon on the 30th August, 1909, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 30th August, 1909, will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SANDER, WHEELER & CO., Agents, Prince's Building, Hongkong, August 23, 1909. 1068

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Co's Steamship Fooking, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 p.m., the 21st August will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., Ltd., General Managers, Hongkong, August 20, 1909. 1052

FROM EUROPE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship, FERRI LIESE, Captain Wagner, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained against Bills of Lading countersigned by the Underwriter.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before today.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival, hereafter which they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 25th inst., will be subject to rent.

All Broken, Chafed and Damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 24th inst., at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected by us in any case whatever.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, August 18, 1909. 1044

## PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO, HONOLULU JAPAN & MANILA.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship MONGOLIA.

The above-mentioned steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and take immediate delivery of cargo from alongside.

Cargo impeding discharge of the vessel will be landed at once at Consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board after MONDAY, August 23rd, 1909, at Noon, will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

All cargo undelivered on SATURDAY, August 28th, 1909, at Noon, will be subject to rent.

Altogether and otherwise damaged cargo will be examined at the above Company's Godown on THURSDAY, August 26th, 1909, at 10 A.M.

S. SILVERSTONE, Agent.

Hongkong, August 20, 1909. 1054

## Shipping.

## INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LD.

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

FOR	STEAMERS	THURSDAY	To SAIL
FOOCHOW	YATUNG	THURSDAY	Aug. 24, at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI	HANGSANG	THURSDAY	Aug. 24, at 4 p.m.
TIENTSIN, Via SWATOW	CHIPSANG	FRIDAY	Aug. 27, at 4 p.m.
WEL-HAI-WEI & CHEFOO	YUENSANG	FRIDAY	Aug. 27, at 4 p.m.
MANILA	KUTSANG	TUESDAY	Aug. 31, at 3 p.m.
SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA	LOONGSANG	FRIDAY	Sept. 3, at 4 p.m.
MANILA	LANSANG	SATURDAY	Sept. 4, at 2 p.m.

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SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	To SAIL
NINGPO & SHANGHAI	PAKHOI	August 28, at 4 p.m.
TSINGTAU, CHEFOO & NEWCHANG	KWAIYANG	August 28, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	ANSHU	August 28, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	FEICHOW	August 27, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	LEYAN	August 31, at 3 p.m.
MANILA	TRAY	August 29, Daylight
SHANGHAI	CHENSA	Sept. 2, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	CHENSA	Sept. 2, at 4 p.m.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, and USUAL	TAITIAN	Sept. 23, at 4 p.m.

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